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Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2007 8:02 AM

To: John W Bitney; Michael A Tibbles; Michael A Nizich; Meghan N Stapleton

Cc: Sharon W Leighow

Subject: long. bonus

Surely the legislators will give a fair comparison of the Long. Bonus with Hawkers' Sr. Program? I want to believe they'll be fair here.

And I believe they'll find that Hawkers' plan will end up costing the state more than our reinstatement of funding the $29 million Long. Bonus until that program phases out.

And it will be insulting to seniors who will now be part of a welfare arm of govt. And it will be a further broken promise if those legislators who vehemently disagreed with Murkowski on the cut do not now support our reinstatement.

I disagree with Hawker that some statutory change is now necessary to plug the funding back into the Long. Bonus Program. Please correct me if I'm wrong. And even if it did take statutory change, that's what the Legislature is there for and what they're engaged in right now on a variety of issues.

Please re-read Mark Fish's email that I forwarded to you as the reminder of my committment to funding the Bonus.

Bottom line: after public discussion and legislative debate, it was concluded the program would be phased out. There's no need to argue whether it was fair or not - it was concluded the program would end. The broken promise was over WHEN it was supposed to end.

What are you hearing about this via lawmakers, John?

Thanks

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Cc: Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV)

Subject: Re: Press Availability Notes

Joe B. will craft a letter for VP Chaney to edit - it shall be supportive of our agia process. (We'll see where Chaney's edits go, ultimately, but at least he took me up on the offer to voice his support of agia anyway.)

So what was the overall tone of Huggins, et al? Do the reporters know it's futile for the producers to essentially be revisiting their wishlist from Murkowski's deal? Does Huggins know that?

Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> 30-minute press avail just ended.
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> Would like to make one of you available to Steve Quinn, Bill McAllister and Christina Grande re: the AGIA questions posed.
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> From the press conference, you wouldn't know what's going on behind the scenes.
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> Thanks,
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Cc: 'Christopher Clark'

Subject: Senate Majority press comments on AGIA

Below are fast & furious notes from the Senate Majority Press Conference. These notes are only regarding discussions on AGIA.
Please note Huggins reference to "posturing" and also deferring to Senate Judiciary Committee the discussion on fiscal certainty.
These notes are rough and are NOT for distribution...thanks
JB

Huggins: At best, Mid America will be on the telephone. I know they are in the House on Thursday...but the communication with Mid America has been "lacking for lack of a better term."

Huggins: I want the conversations to occur between the producers and the administration in order to reach accord so we have a successful Open Season.

...the potential for an unsuccessful Open Season is a big concern for me and others in my caucus ... I'm not sure AGIA addresses it (Open Season) ... AGIA doesn't address Open Season ... the players are talking to one another and we encourage the administration to be a part of that.

Steve Quinn: I keep hearing you talk about unsuccessful.

Huggins: Some of this is posturing...yes. Again...encourage the administration to be part of the loop to work this out.

McAllister: What about fiscal certainty?

Huggins: This is an issue for the Judiciary Committee to review.

French: I will be looking at this...and will ask whether it's necessary. I want to talk to economists, compare this with TAPS.
We will ask...is it constitutional? We will look to the administration from their advisors on whom they consulted
What if you're wrong about constitutionality...what are the consequences? (i.e., is this a deal breaker?)

McAllister: the debate about constitutionality is something they don't seem to care about.

French: I'm surprised at that stance...ask them [the producers]. I will do my best with the bill that's in front of me rather than look at the world through the producers eyes.

I feel there is widespread public opposition (to decades-long fiscal certainty) ...

Becca: Hearing rumors about repealing stranded gas contract...is the Murkowski contract still out there?

French: I don't have thoughts...first I've heard about this.

Recognize this could be the attack on unsuccessful applicants

Christine: How do you feel about the producers' comments and how is this different than stranded gas act?

Huggins: Many issues are the same...there is very little discussion that the public hasn't heard...it's an

open process. The openness of the process is the main difference. The legislature is talking to pipeline companies...that is something that is also different. This is the full spectrum of potential players

Myrl Thompson: Will Resources bring back SB80 – [Wagoner's] corrosion bill?

Huggins: There is skewed vision that bill is being killed..this is wrong. Wagoner and I met privately, and he will make modifications that haven't been done yet. Waiting. As soon as he's ready...we'll hear it.

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Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: pt thomson

Had I not read the AP wire on Pt Thomson tonight I would not have known that we extended Exxon's time to submit development plans. If I'm asked about it in tomorrow's press availability, I sure don't want to have to answer that I don't know why we extended... I need someone to shed light on this for me before tomorrow's reporters start asking questions.

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To: Sarah Palin
Cc: 'Michael Tibbles'
Subject: Privileged or P

Governor,

Privilege is not interested in serving on Royalty Oil and Gas. I spoke with him this afternoon. He has concerns that the board doesn't function very well. I will begin searching for Privileged or Perso

Thanks,

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Subject: Board of Fish

Talked to Privileg today. I'd like to follow up for a minute in person if you have time between meetings.

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Hi Ivy,

Please keep my comments confidential.

In my opinion, we have to consider the long range plan for the state and determine if the bridge is needed and how it will be funded. If the federal government is now not interested in appropriating any more funds, then we need to determine whether the two proposals received for financing the bridge make sense. Meaning, if we fund this with private funding and the state must guarantee the repayment, then we need to consider what will be the toll charge necessary to repay the debt, and is that a realistic toll charge that the public will be willing to pay how long until we can expect the bridge to be at a break even. There are toll bridges all over the lower 48. So this is not a "new" thing. What is different is that our population base is much lower and therefore we must look closely at whether the public can back such a project without federal funds.

We all know that Anchorage has run out of developable land. It's only a matter of time when it will be imperative that the bridge be built so that Anchorage can grow. The longer we delay the project, the more it will cost and we will end up having some of the same issues that Sara is dealing with now regarding the gas pipeline.

Having said all of that, the other issue is timing. Given the Governor's priorities, is this something that she wants championed at this time? If so and Sara wants me to serve, I will absolutely be willing. She knows my talents and giftings. I am willing to serve where she thinks those talents and gifts can be used best. Let her know if she wants to talk to me, or just leave me a secure message, to call my direct number at Privileged It's my direct number and the voice mail is secure. It also rings to my cell phone if I am not at my desk.

All my best, Privileged or

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FYI

From: Gerad Godfrey [mailto:geradg@gmail.com]
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Mike,

FYI, (assuming you didn't know) your boss is making noise and making an impression on the national scene. Michael Medved, a nationally syndicated radio host, yesterday recommended her as a Vice President nominee to go on the Republican Presidential Ticket in order to counter the likely Democratic ticket which will include either a female, African American, or both. He told his audience, of more than 2.5 million listeners, that the Republican Party should seriously consider Sarah Palin who is the Governor of Alaska as she is remarkably dynamic and charismatic. Then he stated one other person the party should consider, a guy in the states who is some congressman (or somebody like that) who happened to be very competent and was American Indian or maybe Hispanic, don't know for sure, I was too busy being impressed with the fact that our Governor had made such an impression on him. I am sure you know who Micheal Medved is but I do not know if you get his show in Juneau. He is a heavy hitter Republican and political pundit who is exceptionally intelligent. He used to guest host for Rush Limbaugh all the time and that led to him getting his own show which is now broadcast on 200 stations nationwide. He is consistently listed as one of the top 20 talk show hosts nationwide and top 10 in the political talk show category. He is a regular columnist for USA Today and occasional op-ed columns in the Wall Street Journal.

My point? You have a boss that has not only arrived on the state scene but on the national scene as well and 2.5 million more people know who she is today than knew who she was yesterday. You sure know how to pick a boss Mike. Then again, for all I know, the RNC may have contacted her long ago about this. Good for her, you and Alaska because that kind of exposure can't hurt the state whether anything tangible comes from it or not. You guys are doing a great job.

Take care and keep up the good fight.

gerad godfrey